- (a)(1) of this section that is not in excess of:
- (1) Two percent of the skim milk and butterfat, respectively, in producer milk (excluding milk diverted by the plant operator to another plant and milk received from handlers described in §1135.9 (c) and (d));
- (2) Plus 1.5 percent of the skim milk and butterfat, respectively, in milk received from handlers described in §1135.9 (c) and (d) and in milk diverted to such plant from another pool plant, except that, if the operator of the plant to which the milk is delivered purchases such milk on the basis of weights determined from its measurement at the farm and butterfat tests determined from farm bulk tank samples, the applicable percentage shall be 2 percent;
- (3) Plus 0.5 percent of the skim milk and butterfat, respectively, in producer milk diverted from such plant by the plant operator to another plant, except that if the operator of the plant to which the milk is delivered purchases such milk on the basis of weights determined from its measurement at the farm and butterfat tests determined from farm bulk tank samples, the applicable percentage shall be zero;
- (4) Plus 1.5 percent of the skim milk and butterfat, respectively, in bulk fluid milk products received by transfer from other pool plants;
- (5) Plus 1.5 percent of the skim milk and butterfat, respectively, in bulk fluid milk products received by transfer from other order plants, excluding the quantity for which Class II or Class III classification is requested by the operators of both plants;
- (6) Plus 1.5 percent of the skim milk and butterfat, respectively, in bulk fluid milk products received from unregulated supply plants, excluding the quantity for which Class II or Class III classification is requested by the handlers; and
- (7) Less 1.5 percent of the skim milk and butterfat, respectively, in bulk fluid milk products transferred to other plants that is not in excess of the respective amounts of skim milk and butterfat to which percentages are applied in paragraphs (b) (1), (2), (4), (5), and (6) of this section; and

(c) The quantity of skim milk and butterfat, respectively, in shrinkage of milk from producers for which a cooperative association is the handler pursuant to §1135.9 (b) or (c) or a proprietary bulk tank handler is the handler pursuant to §1135.9(d), but not in excess of 0.5 percent of the skim milk and butterfat, respectively, in such milk. If the operator of the plant to which the milk is delivered purchases such milk on the basis of weights determined from its measurement at the farm and protein and butterfat tests determined from farm bulk tank samples, the applicable percentage for the cooperative association or the proprietary bulk tank handler shall be zero.

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## §1135.42 Classification of transfers and diversions.

(a) Transfers and diversions (including deliveries by a handler described in \$1135.9(d)) to pool plants. Skim milk or butterfat transferred or diverted in the form of a fluid milk product or a bulk fluid cream product from a pool plant to another pool plant or from a handler described in \$1135.9(d) to a pool plant shall be classified as Class I milk unless both handlers request the same classification in another class. In either case, the classification of such transfers or diversions shall be subject to the following conditions:

(1) The skim milk or butterfat classified in each class shall be limited to the amount of skim milk, and butterfat, respectively, remaining in such class at the transferee-plant or divertee-plant after the computation pursuant to \$1135.44(a)(12) and the corresponding step of \$1135.44(b). The amount of skim milk or butterfat classified in each class shall include the assigned utilization of skim milk or butterfat in transfers of concentrated fluid milk products;

(2) If the transferor-plant or divertorplant received during the month other source milk to be allocated pursuant to §1135.44(a)(7) and the corresponding step of §1135.44(b), the skim milk or butterfat so transferred or diverted shall be classified so as to allocate the least possible Class I utilization to such other source milk; and

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- (3) If the transferor-handler or divertor-handler received during the month other source milk to be allocated pursuant to §1135.44(a) (11) or (12) or the corresponding steps of §1135.44(b), the skim milk or butterfat so transferred or diverted, up to the total of the skim milk and butterfat, respectively, in such receipts of other source milk, shall not be classified as Class I milk to a greater extent than would be the case if the other source milk had been received at the transferee-plant or divertee-plant.
- (b) Transfers and diversions to other order plants. Skim milk or butterfat transferred or diverted in the form of a fluid milk product or transferred in the form of a bulk fluid cream product from a pool plant to an other order plant shall be classified in the following manner. Such classification shall apply only to the skim milk or butterfat that is in excess of any receipts at the pool plant from the other order plant of skim milk and butterfat, respectively, in fluid milk products and bulk fluid cream products, respectively, that are in the same category as described in paragraph (b) (1), (2), or (3) of this section:
- (1) If transferred as packaged fluid milk products, classification shall be in the classes to which allocated as a fluid milk product under the other order:
- (2) If transferred in bulk form, classification shall be in the classes to which allocated under the other order (including allocation under the conditions set forth in paragraph (b)(3) of this section):
- (3) If the operators of both plants so request in their reports of receipts and utilization filed with their respective market administrators, transfers or diversions in bulk form shall be classified as Class II or Class III milk to the extent of such utilization available for such classification pursuant to the allocation provisions of the other order;
- (4) If information concerning the classes to which such transfers or diversions were allocated under the other order is not available to the market administrator for the purpose of establishing classification under this paragraph, classification shall be as Class I,

- subject to adjustments when such information is available:
- (5) For purposes of this paragraph, if the other order provides for a different number of classes of utilization than is provided for under this part, skim milk or butterfat allocated to a class consisting primarily of fluid milk products shall be classified as Class I milk, and skim milk or butterfat allocated to the other classes shall be classified as Class III milk; and
- (6) If the form in which any fluid milk product that is transferred to an other order plant is not defined as a fluid milk product under such other order, classification under this paragraph shall be in accordance with the provisions of §1135.40.
- (c) Transfers and diversions to producer-handlers and to exempt distributing plants. Skim milk or butterfat in the following forms that is transferred or diverted by a handler described in §1135.9 (a), (b), or (d) to a producer-handler under this or any other Federal order or to an exempt distributing plant shall be classified:
- (1) As Class I milk, if moved in the form of a fluid milk product; and
- (2) In accordance with the utilization assigned to it by the market administrator, if transferred in the form of a bulk fluid cream product. For this purpose, the transferee's utilization of skim milk and butterfat in each class, in series beginning with Class III, shall be assigned to the extent possible to its receipts of skim milk and butterfat, respectively, in bulk fluid cream products, pro rata to each source.
- (d) Transfers and diversions to other nonpool plants. Skim milk or butterfat transferred or diverted in the following forms from a pool plant to a nonpool plant that is not an other order plant, a producer-handler plant, or an exempt distributing plant shall be classified:
- (1) As Class I milk, if transferred in the form of a packaged fluid milk product; and
- (2) As Class I milk, if transferred or diverted in the form of a bulk fluid milk product or transferred in the form of a bulk fluid cream product, unless the following conditions apply:
- (i) If the conditions described in paragraphs (d)(2)(i) (a) and (b) of this section are met, transfers or diversions

in bulk form shall be classified on the basis of the assignment of the nonpool plant's utilization to its receipts as set forth in paragraphs (d)(2) (ii) through (viii) of this section;

- (a) The transferor-handler or divertor-handler claims such classification in his report of receipts and utilization filed pursuant to §1135.30 for the month within which such transaction occurred; and
- (b) The nonpool plant operator maintains books and records showing the utilization of all skim milk and butterfat received at such plant which are made available for verification purposes if requested by the market administrator:
- (ii) Route disposition in the marketing area of each Federal milk order from the nonpool plant and transfers of packaged fluid milk products from such nonpool plant to plants fully regulated thereunder shall be assigned to the extent possible in the following sequence:
- (a) Pro rata to receipts of packaged fluid milk products at such nonpool plant from pool plants;
- (b) Pro rata to any remaining unassigned receipts of packaged fluid milk products at such nonpool plant from other order plants;
- (c) Pro rata to receipts of bulk fluid milk products at such nonpool plant from pool plants; and
- (d) Pro rata to any remaining unassigned receipts of bulk fluid milk products at such nonpool plant from other order plants;
- (iii) Any remaining Class I disposition of packaged fluid milk products from the nonpool plant shall be assigned to the extent possible pro rata to any remaining unassigned receipts of packaged fluid milk products at such nonpool plant from pool plants and other order plants;
- (iv) Transfers of bulk fluid milk products from the nonpool plant to a plant fully regulated under any Federal milk order, to the extent that such transfers to the regulated plant exceed receipts of fluid milk products from such plant and are allocated to Class I at the transferee-plant, shall be assigned to the extent possible in the following sequence:

- (a) Pro rata to receipts of fluid milk products at such nonpool plant from pool plants; and
- (b) Pro rata to any remaining unassigned receipts of fluid milk products at such nonpool plant from other order plants;
- (v) Any remaining unassigned Class I disposition from the nonpool plant shall be assigned to the extent possible in the following sequence:
- (a) To such nonpool plant's receipts from dairy farmers who the market administrator determines constitute regular sources of Grade A milk for such nonpool plant; and
- (b) To such nonpool plant's receipts of Grade A milk from plants not fully regulated under any Federal milk order which the market administrator determines constitute regular sources of Grade A milk for such nonpool plant;
- (vi) Any remaining unassigned receipts of bulk fluid milk products at the nonpool plant from pool plants and other order plants shall be assigned, pro rata among such plants, to the extent possible first to any remaining Class I utilization, then to Class II utilization, and then to Class III utilization at such nonpool plant;
- (vii) Receipts of bulk fluid cream products at the nonpool plant from pool plants and other order plants shall be assigned, pro rata among such plants, to the extent possible first to any remaining Class II utilization, then to any remaining Class II utilization, and then to Class I utilization at such nonpool plant; and
- (viii) In determining the nonpool plant's utilization for purposes of this paragraph, any fluid milk products and bulk fluid cream products transferred from such nonpool plant to a plant not fully regulated under any Federal milk order shall be classified on the basis of the second plant's utilization using the same assignment priorities at the second plant that are set forth in this paragraph.

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## §1135.43 General classification rules.

In determining the classification of producer milk pursuant to §1135.44, the following rules shall apply: